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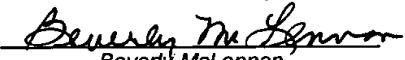
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LETTER OF TRANSMITTAL

Dear Sir:

We enclose the following papers for filing in the U.S. Patent and
Trademark Office in connection with the above-identified Patent Application:

1. Amendment in Response to Office Action (11 pages),
2. Petition for Extension of Time (1 page)

**THE COMMISSIONER IS HEREBY AUTHORIZED AND IS REQUESTED
TO CHARGE ALL FILING FEES DUE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.16 AND ALL
OTHER FEES DUE UNDER §1.17 DURING THE PENDENCY OF THIS
APPLICATION TO OUR DEPOSIT ACCOUNT NO. 07-1729.**

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AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on September 3, 2003, please
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